FISCAL NOTE

HB 468 - SB 854

March 15, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits truck and truck tractors from operating an un-muffled engine compression break in any county having a population between 307,800 and 897,500 according to the 2000 or subsequent Federal Census. (This currently includes Davidson, Hamilton, Knox and Shelby counties.) Requires the Department of Safety, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, to adopt uniform standards for posting signs advising drivers about the use of a compression brake, including the minimum number and placement of such signs.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Less than \$10,000 Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Less than \$100,000 One-Time*

Assumptions:

- Approximately 100 annual violations with a fine of \$50 for the first offense and not more than \$500 for each subsequent offense.
- The State will receive fines and the clerks will receive commission on such fines in accordance with TCA 55-10-303.
- A not significant increase in state expenditures to adopt sign standards.
- A one-time increase in local government expenditures to post signs advising drivers about the use of a compression brake.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director